

Paul Hampton's Eye Is Injured Playing Ball ^{4/21/44}

**Veteran of Southwest Pacific Was
Injured While Playing Base Ball
at a Memphis Hospital**

Private First Class Paul M. Hampton, who is receiving treatment for malaria acquired in the Southwest Pacific at Kennedy General hospital, Memphis, Tennessee, received injuries to his left eye a few days ago when he was struck by a base ball.

Mr. and Mrs. Doyt Isley and Mr. and Mrs. John Finn discovered that he was again confined to bed, Saturday, when they drove to Memphis to bring Paul, who is a brother of Mrs. Isley, home for a three days' visit and call on Private Kenneth Isley, Mr. Isley's brother, who is stationed at the hospital.

He was operated on immediately after the accident to remove slivers of glass from his eye, where his glasses had broken, and stitches were taken in the iris, which was cut.

Playing Base Ball

Paul, who is under treatment but has not been bedfast, went out to play authorized base ball on the first day out and was struck in the eye with a ball in some manner. His glasses were broken and slivers of glass were forced into the eyeball, cutting a portion of the iris and causing other injuries.

Following the operation, he was put to bed for several days and is not allowed to lie any way except on his back. Mr. and Mrs. Isley were informed by his doctor that it was too early to determine whether or not the sight had been damaged; that the first thing to do was to save the eye.

Paul was glad to see them but was disappointed he couldn't come home. His address is Private First Class Paul M. Hampton, Room 106, Kennedy General hospital, Memphis, Tennessee.